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Homesteads.

The following points, interesting to every homesteader, have been thus decided by the general land office at Washington. It would be well to govern your claim accordingly:

The refusal of a wife to live on a homestead, provided the husband complies with the law, will not injure his rights.

Residence in a double house built on the dividing line between adjoining homesteads, is residence in compliance with law.

After a homesteader has completed the term of five years, a further residence is not required.

A party who enters a homestead and attempts to acquire a title therein by going upon the land and remaining over night once or twice in six months, fails to establish a legal residence, and he and his witnesses are liable for perjury, and where it is shown that such failure to comply with the provisions of the law, the entry should be cancelled and parties held responsible. A claimant cannot reside in town and swear to continuous residence on his homestead.

A party, while having residence on his claim, may work elsewhere for other people a few weeks at a time.

The sale of a homestead claim by a settler to another party before completion of title is not recognized, and vests no title of equities in the purchaser.

A contest can be started at any time if an absence for six months can be proven, or failing in residence.

The fact that a homesteader sometimes camped and slept and ate upon his land, cannot be regarded as a residence according to law.

Henry Champlin, a young man about twenty-five years of age, from Atchison county, and his brother from Phillips county in company with another party, passed through Lenora yesterday morning on their way to Thomas county in search of land. They were traveling overland in their own conveyance and when about two miles south of town, Henry pulled a gun back, that set by his side, and in doing so the hammer caught in his brother's pants, causing the rifle barrel of a combined gun to be discharged, the ball taking effect just over the left eye ranging up. He was brought back to the Commercial House and Dr. Munk sent for, who removed about four ounces of brain and a piece of the skull and probed for the ball, but failed to find it. Mr. Champlin is still alive, but Dr. Munk thinks it impossible for him to get well. His wife arrived last night from Phillips county, where she was stopping while her husband went west in search of a future home, to find him unconscious of everything and in death's door.—Lenora Leader.

The Inter Ocean sees occasion for meriment in the fact that two Kansas editors in adjoining counties call their papers respectively the THOMAS CAT and the Bootjack, and intimates that the CAT is in danger. It may be possible, but it is more likely the I. O. has never observed the poor marksmanship of the man who hurls a bootjack at a cat. The cat and the bootjack have been contemporaries for hundreds of years, and the first instance is yet to be recorded where the utensil got the best of the feline. A bootjack sometimes persuades a cat to go but never compels it.—Lincoln (Neb.) Journal.

Last week Donovan & Carpenter bought a piece of school land at the public sale, and tendered the county treasurer the one-tenth cash payment and asked for the receipts, such as the law requires. The treasurer refused to make them out but offered to give

his personal acknowledgment. Mr. Carpenter not deeming this sufficient, refused to take it. Thereupon the treasurer gave the land to the next lowest bidder. Donovan & Carpenter have brought suit for \$1,000 damages.
—Kenneth Democrat.

WANTED.—Five thousand names and addresses of eastern relatives, friends and acquaintances of persons now residents of this county for the purpose of forwarding printed matter relative to this county, and its advantages for intending emigrants from the east. P. S. Eustis, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, B. & M. R. R. Omaha, Nebraska.

The Walkup murder case is being tried at Emporia.

The Republicans have a majority in the Ohio legislature.

Gen Ranch Items.

Immigration is still coming in. It looks like Thomas county would be full.

Improvements and building houses and getting ready for cold weather is the order of the day.

Mrs. Burnell has just completed her house and moved into it.

Miss Carrie Barnhill has her house done all but cleaning up and a few finishing touches.

A Mr. Chapman has built a frame house which looks very nice from a distance.

There are now three houses on Section 4, town 7, range 32, and two on section 3, but the only trouble is they are all single folks.

Our township is pretty well settled now and I guess there will be a settler every quarter, except timber claims.

Mr. Graham Crawford is having a well bored. Mr. Henry Russell & Co. are doing the work. Their work is always a success and sure to get a man water.

Mr. See, Postmaster at Cumberland, was over in our township looking around. He has just been out in Sherman county locating several parties. He says Sherman county is the prettiest county he ever saw.

Everybody well and happy or seems so to be. We do not need any doctor but need a justice of the peace or a good teacher, for there are lots of single folks around here. More anon.
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